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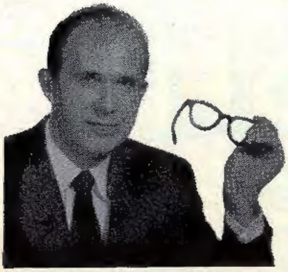

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WAIT! HE'S COMIN' THROUGH..! I'M GETTIN' 'IM!!
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YOU GOT HIM! THAT'S HIS VOICE! LEMME HAVE IT, BEN...LET ME TALK TO HIM--!
HOLD IT, KID... HOLD IT!
...DON'T DO IT, BEN!...DON'T USE PHONE!... GIVE UP IDEA... NO CHANCE.. OF RESCUE.. NO CHANCE...
BUT, THERE MUST BE SOMETHIN'! WE CAN DO!! USE YER HEAD, PAL.. THINK...THINK OF SOMETHIN' ANYTHING..!
LISTEN, BEN... AND LISTEN CLOSE...
SAY THE WORD, STRETCH..JUST TELL ME..WHAT-EVER IT IS..I'LL DO IT.. WE'LL ALL DO IT! WE CAN'T JUST GIVE UP..!
I'M CAUGHT IN A DEBRIS BELT... BEING DRAWN INEXORABLY TOWARD THE EXPLODING AREA AROUND EARTH!! THERE'S..NO WAY TO CHECK MY SPEED---
IT WOULD BE AS IMPOSSIBLE AS TRYING TO STOP GRAVITY ITSELF..!
I CAN HEAR YOU...AND SPEAK TO YOU..VIA THE COMMUNICATOR ON MY WRIST... BUT, IT'S HOPE-LESS...I'M DONE FOR!
SPEED IS INCREASING.. ALMOST OUT OF COMMUNICATION RANGE..!
IT'S GOODBYE, OLD FRIEND..YOU.. AND JOHNNY... WERE THE GREATEST...
AND SUE... TAKE CARE OF HER...BOTH OF YOU..LOOK AFTER HER.. ALWAYS...
TELL HER...HOW MUCH...I LOVED HER...TELL HER.. I'LL.. ALWAYS LOVE HER...
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HIS VOICE DIED OUT... CAN'T HEAR ANY MORE!! THAT MEANS... HE'S OUT OF RANGE!!
IT CAN'T END THIS WAY...IT MUSTN'T!! REED...REED... MY DARLING...COME BACK...COME BACK..!
DON'T, SUSIE.. DON'T! HOLD ON, KID...! REED WOULDN'T WANT IT... LIKE THIS...!
NOW I KNOW... WHY HE TOLD ME... NOT TO USE THE PHONE!
HE KNEW WE COULDN'T HELP 'IM... AN' HE KNEW.. WHAT HEARIN' HIS VOICE... WOULD DO TO YOU..!
BUT... HOW CAN WE LEAVE HIM THIS WAY?? HOW CAN WE DESERT HIM... WHEN HE NEEDS US MOST?? WE'RE LOSING HIM... FOREVER... AND DOING NOTHING... NOTHING..!!
I'D GIVE UP MY LIFE... IN A MINUTE, KID... I'D TAKE ANYTHING THAT ANYONE COULD DISH OUT... IF IT WOULD HELP 'IM.. BUT.. THERE AIN'T NO WAY..!
NO!! THERE'S ALWAYS A WAY! REED HIMSELF USED TO TELL US THAT--!!
THEN, EVEN AS SUE'S TREMULOUS CRY STILL STINGS THE GRIEVING SOULS OF BEN AND JOHNNY, A STRANGE ETHEREAL GLOW FILLS THE TRAGEDY-HAUNTED CHAMBER... AS, FROM ITS VORTEX, AN ECSTATIC CALL RINGS OUT...
JOHNNY! I KNEW I'D FIND YOU SOME-DAY! I KNEW LOCK-JAW WOULD BRING ME TO YOUR SIDE!
JOHNNY!! DON'T YOU HEAR ME? IT'S CRYSTAL! WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN... AT LAST!
IT MUST BE THE STRAIN... THE UNRELIEVED SHOCK!! NOW, I'M HEARING THINGS! MY MIND IS BEGINNING TO FAIL ME! IT CAN'T BE... AND YET...
HER VOICE... I'D KNOW IT ANYWHERE!! SHE.. SHE IS HERE!
IT WAS WHAT I WANTED... MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD... BUT NOT NOW... NOT.. LIKE THIS..!
JOHNNY!! DON'T YOU... DON'T YOU CARE?? DO I... NO LONGER MEAN ANYTHING.. TO YOU??
DON'T SAY IT, CRYS!! YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!! YOU DON'T... KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENED..!
THEN TELL ME, MY DEAREST!! WHATEVER IS WRONG... I WANT TO KNOW.. I WANT TO HELP..!
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LOOK!! LOOK THROUGH THE SCANNER!! THAT FIGURE THERE--- PLUNGING THROUGH THE NEGATIVE ZONE---SEE IT? THERE---GETTING SMALLER AND SMALLER-- FURTHER AND FURTHER AWAY FROM US---IT'S REED!! DO YOU UNDERSTAND?? IT'S REED!!
HE'S PLUMMETING TO HIS DEATH-- TOWARDS EARTH'S EXPLOSIVE BELT---
AND, WITH ALL OUR POWERS--- THERE'S NO WAY FOR US TO SAVE HIM! ALL WE CAN DO--IS STAND HELPLESSLY BY-- AND WATCH--!
I---DIDN'T KNOW!!! I NEVER SUSPECTED--!

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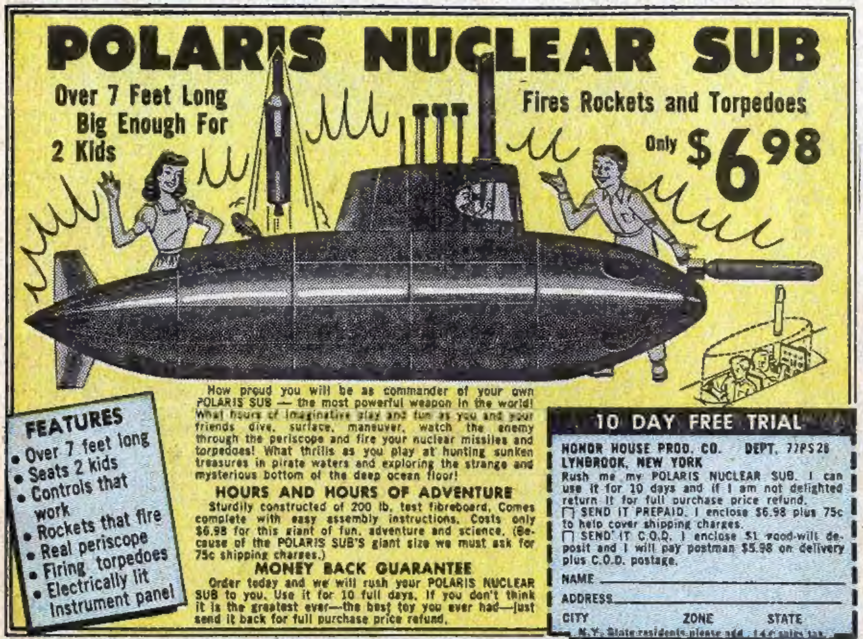
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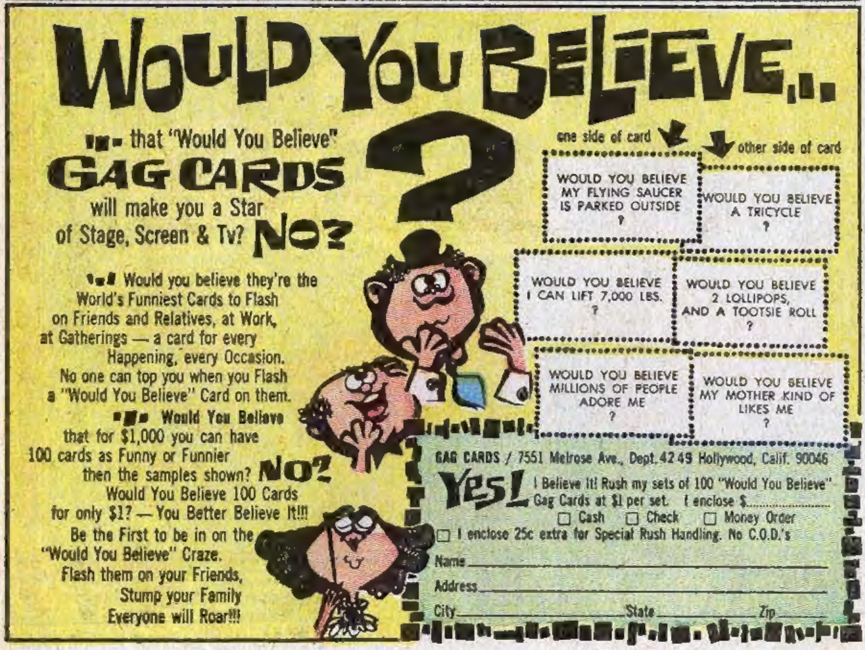
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STOP IT!! STOP IT!! HOW CAN YOU SPEAK OF IT SO CALMLY... AS THOUGH IT'S JUST A STORY... AS THOUGH IT.. IT ISN'T REALLY HAPPENING.. TO MY HUSBAND--- TO THE MAN I LOVE---!
FORGIVE ME, MRS. RICHARDS... I AM NOT UNFEELING! I CAN ONLY HELP IF I AM IN FULL POSSESSION OF THE FACTS!
HELP? WADDAYA TALKIN' ABOUT? WHAT IN BLAZES CAN YOU DO THAT THE THREE OF US CAN'T??
PERHAPS I CAN DO NOTHING... BUT THERE ARE OTHERS--- REMEMBER, THE INHUMANS HAVE POWER UNLIKE ANY OTHER LIVING BEINGS!
IF ONLY THERE WAS SOME WAY I COULD HARNESS MY FLAME AND ... WHA..?
THE INHUMANS!! ARE THE OTHERS FREE, TOO??
CRYS!! IS BLACK BOLT WITH YOU? AND GORGON... AND KARNAK.. AND THE OTHERS??
NO... THEY'RE FAR AWAY-- OVER THE OCEAN!
THEN WHAT GOOD CAN THEY DO? REED'S ONLY GOT A FEW MINUTES LEFT!!
BUT... DON'T YOU SEE? TIME AND DISTANCE ARE COMPLETELY MEANING-LESS..!
LOCKJAW'S POWER OF INTER-DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL IS INSTANTANEOUS!
BACK, LOCKJAW... TAKE ME BACK TO BLACK BOLT!!
CRYS.. WAIT! WHAT WILL YOU...?
I CANNOT EX-PLAIN! TRUST ME, JOHNNY!
THEY'RE FADIN' AWAY AGAIN!
AND, AT THAT SPLIT-SECOND, WITHIN THE AWESOME NEGATIVE ZONE ITSELF, AN EVENT OCCURS WHICH IS WITNESSED BY NONE--- SAVE OURSELVES...
WE HAVE ONLY SECONDS IN WHICH TO RID OURSELVES OF OUR DEADLY CARGO!
HE IS FAR TOO DANGEROUS TO REMAIN AT LARGE UPON OUR OWN PLANET!
AND YET, SO POWERFUL IS HE, THAT WE HAVE NOT THE MEANS TO SLAY HIM!
THEREFORE, OUR ONLY SOLUTION IS TO EXILE HIM--- HERE IN THE DEBRIS BELT!!
IF WE CAN DO IT WITHOUT BEING DESTROYED OURSELVES!
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WE HAVE REACHED OUR DESTINATION!!
THE SPACE BOULDERS WHICH SURROUND US ARE BEING INEXORABLY DRAWN TO THEIR FINAL ANNIHILATION!
THE PRISONER MUST BE EJECTED FROM THE SHIP SO THAT HE MAY JOIN THEM... BEFORE THE SEDATIVE, WHICH KEEPS HIM MOTIONLESS, CAN BEGIN TO WEAR OFF!!
AND BEFORE WE OURSELVES ARE CAUGHT IN THE IRRESISTIBLE SUCTION... AND UNABLE TO RETURN!
HE IS CORRECTLY POSITIONED UPON OUR MAGNA-CRANE... SAFELY ENCASED WITHIN HIS ADHESION SUIT!
SET THE CONTROLS FOR INSTANT REVERSE AS I PROPEL HIM TOWARDS THE NEAREST FLYING BOULDER!
A SCANT SECOND LATER, THE SILENT FIGURE ADHERES TO THE SIDE OF A SPEEDING CHUNK OF SPACE DEBRIS, AS THE STRANGE, ROARING CRAFT ZOOMS BACK FROM WHENCE IT HAD COME...!
BUT THEN AN UNPREDICTABLE FATE FRIVOLOUSLY ARRANGES A MOST FATEFUL AND DRAMATIC COINCIDENCE...
A ROCKET-POWERED SPACE-CRAFT... HERE IN THE NEGATIVE ZONE!
THAT MEANS... EVEN IN THIS MAD NIGHTMARISH UNIVERSE... SOME FORM OF INTELLIGENT LIFE MUST EXIST!
IF ONLY I HAD KNOWN... IF I COULD HAVE PREPARED SOME SIGNAL--!
BUT, IT'S TOO LATE! AT THE SPEED THEY'RE TRAVELLING.. I'M NO MORE THAN A FLEETING BLUR TO THEM!
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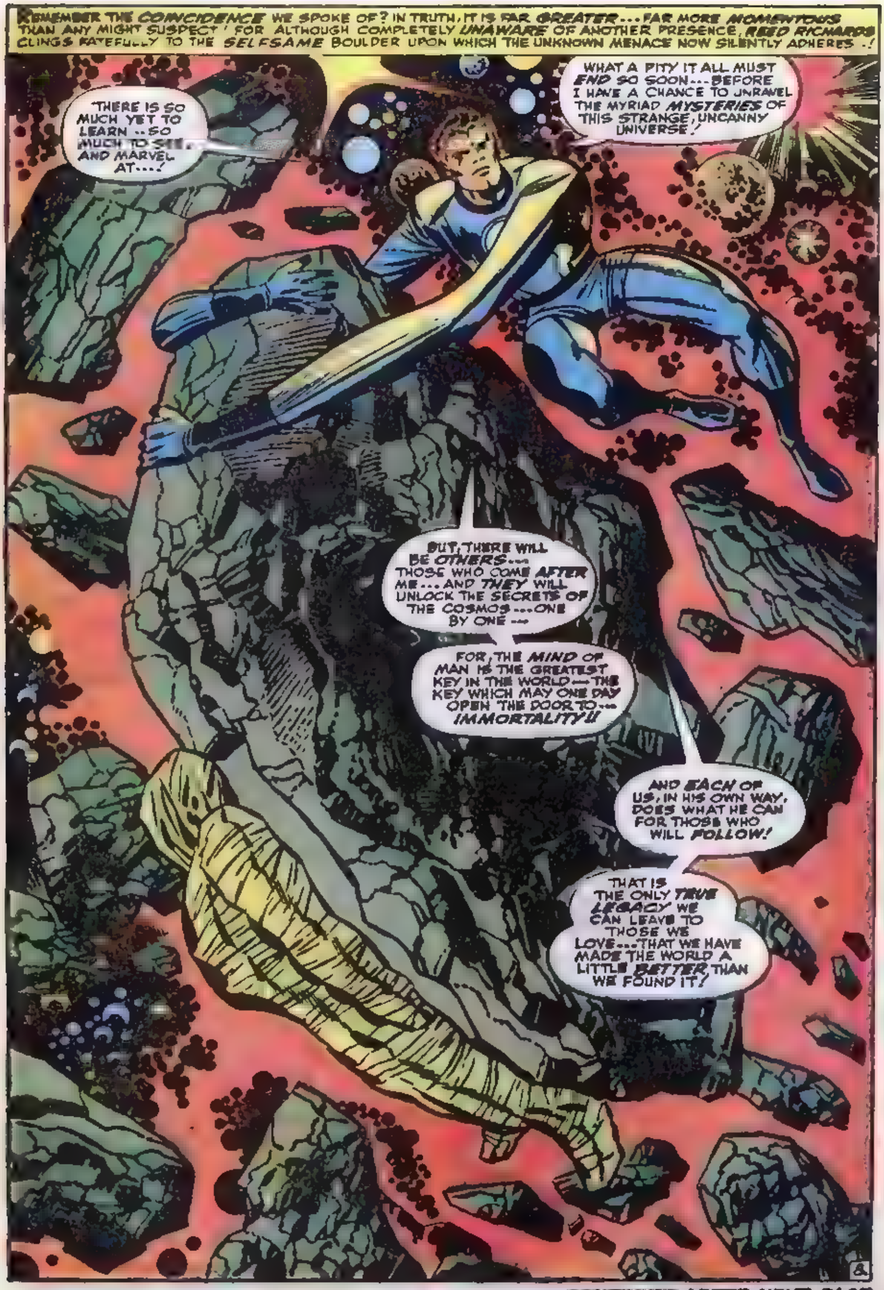

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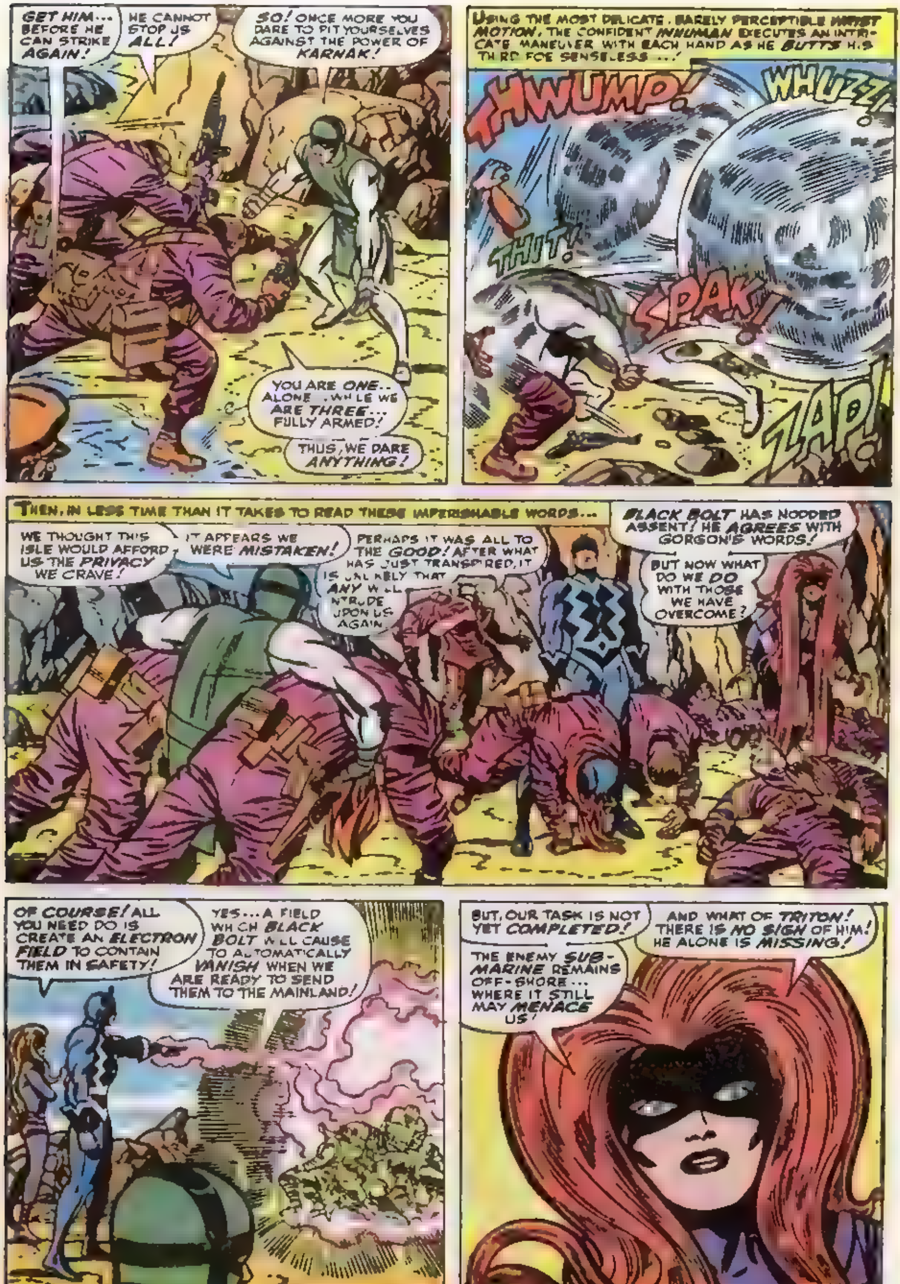
BUT, WE NOW MUST LEAVE THE BROODING ILL STARRED LEADER OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUPER HERO TEAM, AS WE TURN OUR ATTENTION TO A SMALL ISLAND, OFF THE COAST OF ... AN ASTONISHING TABLEAU IS ABOUT TO TRANSPIRE ---
OUR NUCLEAR SUB HAS SLIPPED THROUGH THE NATO RADAR NET JUST AS WE PLANNED
FASTER! FASTER! ONCE OUR ATOMIC NULLIFIER IS IN POSITION, THIS NOW-DESERTED ISLAND WILL BE OURS!
THEN WITH A BASE SUCH AS THIS SO CLOSE TO THE MAINLAND IT IS WE WHO SHALL DICTATE TERMS TO THE WESTERN ALLIANCE
CAREFUL, YOU CLUMSY OAF! THE RAY CANNON YOU ARE PUSHING MAY CHANGE THE BALANCE OF POWER ON THIS ENTIRE PLANET!
THUMP!
THUMM
IT IS ALMOST TOO EASY! THERE IS NOT ANOTHER LIVING BEING FOR MILES WHO SUSPECTS OUR PRESENCE HERE!
POSITION THE CANNON UPON THE HIGHEST PEAK!
WE WILL RING THIS ISLE WITH AN ATOMIC CURTAIN THAT NOTHING CAN PENETRATE!
SET ALL CONTROLS FOR INSTANT ACTIVATION! WE OPEN FIRE AT ONCE!
LOOK! OVER THERE! WHAT IS THAT?
SILENCE, FOOL! THIS IS NO TIME FOR OBSERVATION TESTS!
BUT...IT'S A MAN FLYING...TOWARDS THE CANNON!
ZZZZZZZ
IT IS NOT POSSIBLE! HE SOARS... LIKE A BIRD! HE'S POINTING... AT THE CANNON..!
A FUSILLADE OF ELECTRONS ISSUES FROM HIS FINGERTIPS! NO! NO!
HE HAS DECIMATED THE GREATEST WEAPON IN OUR ARSENAL!
SPTOOOM
HELP!! HE SEIZES US AS THOUGH WE ARE WEIGHTLESS!! HE CARRIES US OFF..!!
HE GLIDES SILENTLY ...EFFORTLESSLY.. UNDER HIS OWN POWER!
WHAT WHAT IS HE?? WHAT MADNESS IS THIS?

BUT, BEFORE THE STUNNED INVADERS CAN RECOVER FROM THE SHOCK OF BLACK BOLT'S LIGHTNING ATTACK, ANOTHER OF THE UNCANNY INHUMANS ENTERS THE FRAY AS ONLY GORGON CAN
YOU DARE ATTEMPT TO OCCUPY THE ISLE UPON WHICH WE HAVE TAKEN REFUGE ??
FOR THAT YOU SHALL PAY... AND PAY MOST DEARLY!
VOOM!
SO! THERE ARE THOSE WHO ESCAPED THE FURY OF GORGON'S THUNDEROUS KICK!
NO MATTER! I HAVE ONLY TO RAISE MY MIGHTY LEG ONCE MORE..!
THAT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY! SUFFICE IT TO SAY THAT MEDUSA IS HERE!
WHUMP!
THE ISLAND IS ACCURSED!
NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE... OR WHAT THEY ARE.. I CAN'T MISS THEM AT SUCH CLOSE RANGE"
HOW WRONG YOU ARE! I SHALL NOT GIVE YOU THE CHANCE YOU NEED!
ONE MAN... ALONE..UNARMED YOU MUST BE INSANE!
NO! I AM NOT INSANE!
I AM.. KARNAK!!
TZAK!


GET HIM... BEFORE HE CAN STRIKE AGAIN!
HE CANNOT STOP US ALL!
SO! ONCE MORE YOU DARE TO PIT YOURSELVES AGAINST THE POWER OF KARNAK!
YOU ARE ONE.. ALONE ..WHILE WE ARE THREE... FULLY ARMED!
THUS, WE DARE ANYTHING!
USING THE MOST DELICATE, BARELY PERCEPTIBLE WRIST MOTION, THE CONFIDENT INHUMAN EXECUTES AN INTRICATE MANEUVER WITH EACH HAND AS HE BUTTS HIS THIRD FOE SENSELESS...!
THWUMP!
WHUZZ!
THIT!
SPAK!
ZAP!
THEN, IN LESS TIME THAN IT TAKES TO READ THESE IMPERISHABLE WORDS...
WE THOUGHT THIS ISLE WOULD AFFORD US THE PRIVACY WE CRAVE!
IT APPEARS WE WERE MISTAKEN!
PERHAPS IT WAS ALL TO THE GOOD! AFTER WHAT HAS JUST TRANSPIRED, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT ANY WILL INTRUDE UPON US AGAIN.
BLACK BOLT HAS NODDED ASSENT! HE AGREES WITH GORGON'S WORDS!
BUT NOW WHAT DO WE DO WITH THOSE WE HAVE OVERCOME?
OF COURSE! ALL YOU NEED DO IS CREATE AN ELECTRON FIELD TO CONTAIN THEM IN SAFETY!
YES... A FIELD WHICH BLACK BOLT WILL CAUSE TO AUTOMATICALLY VANISH WHEN WE ARE READY TO SEND THEM TO THE MAINLAND!
BUT, OUR TASK IS NOT YET COMPLETED!
THE ENEMY SUBMARINE REMAINS OFF-SHORE... WHERE IT STILL MAY MENACE US!
AND WHAT OF TRITON! THERE IS NO SIGN OF HIM! HE ALONE IS MISSING!
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EVEN AS MEDUSA SPEAKS THE WATER-BREATHING INHUMAN SILENTLY EXAMINES THE ARMORED HULL OF THE GRIM, GREY SUB WHICH HAS MISSILES ENOUGH TO ATOMIZE THE NEARBY ISLE.
AND THEN AT LAST HE FINDS WHAT HE SEEKS... THE HEART OF THE VESSEL, THE VITAL REACTOR ROOM..!
THOUGH NOT AS POWERFUL AS THE REGAL BLACK BOLT HIMSELF, THE ACQUATIC INHUMAN IS ABLE TO GENERATE ENORMOUS PRESSURE WITHIN HIS OWN BODY... PRESSURE WHICH ENABLES HIM TO SURVIVE AT THE VERY DEPTHS OF THE SWIRLING SEA...
.. PRESSURE ENOUGH TO PROVIDE THE STRENGTH HE NEEDS TO FLOOD THE ENTIRE REACTOR ROOM WITH ONE TITANIC BLOW...
SHOOM!
OUR INVASION HAS FAILED! WE MUST DESTROY THE ISLAND! FIRE ALL MISSILES!
THE SHIP IS SETTLING! THE REACTOR ROOM IS FLOODED! WE ARE HELPLESSLY TRAPPED!
ONLY BY RADIOING TO NATO FOR AID CAN WE BE SAVED. IT--IT IS UNTHINKABLE!!
ANOTHER FEW SECONDS AND THE ISLAND WOULD HAVE CEASED TO EXIST!
BUT NOW... ALL IS LOST!
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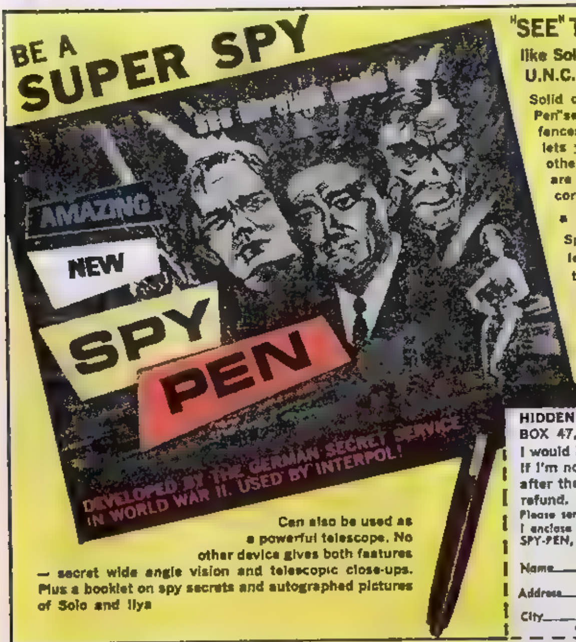

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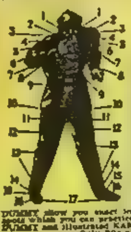

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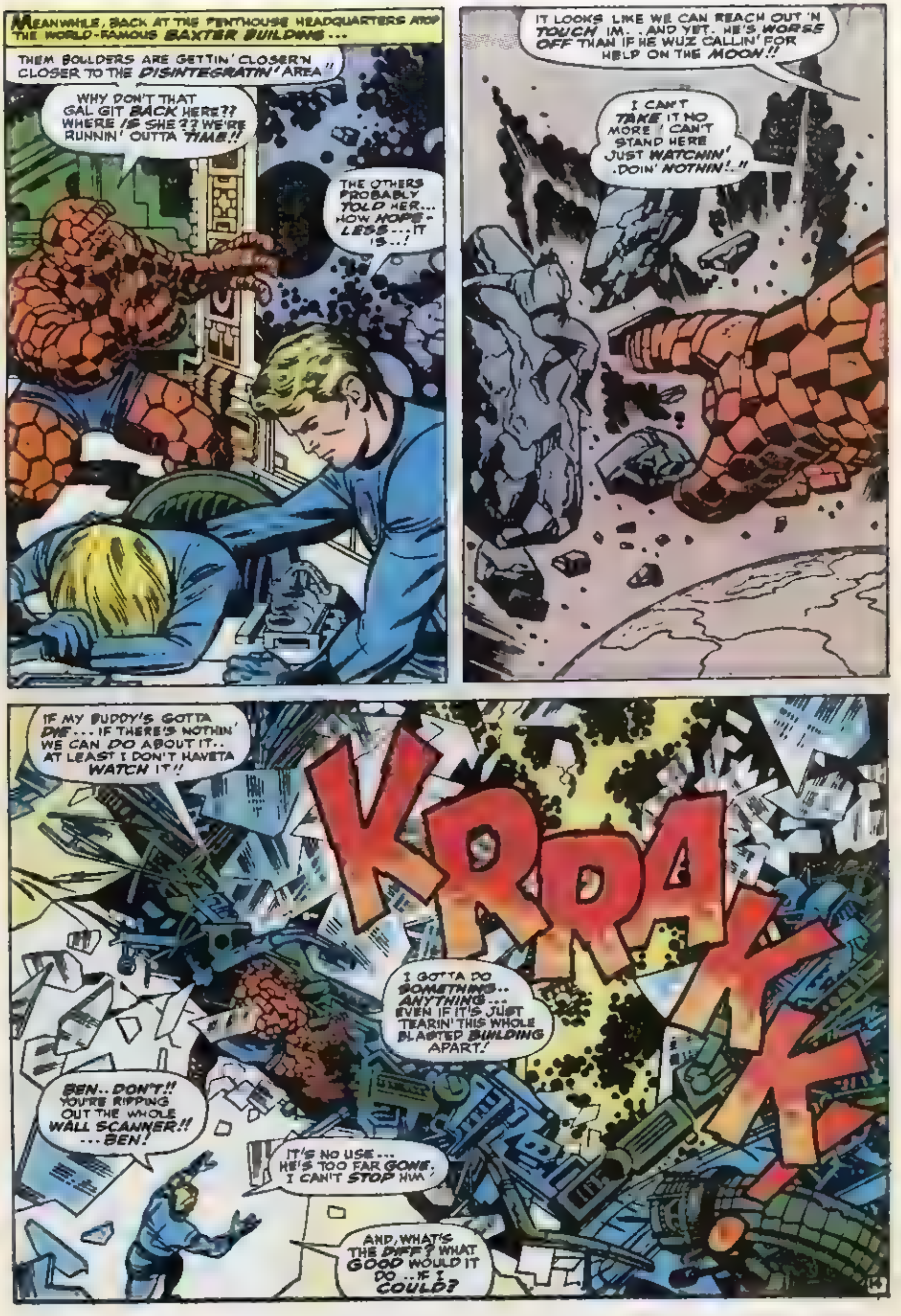
MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE PENTHOUSE HEADQUARTERS ATOP THE WORLD-FAMOUS BAXTER BUILDING...
THEM BOULDERS ARE GETTIN' CLOSER'N CLOSER TO THE DISINTEGRATIN' AREA!
WHY DON'T THAT GAL GIT BACK HERE?? WHERE IS SHE?? WE'RE RUNNIN' OUTTA TIME!!
THE OTHERS PROBABLY TOLD HER... HOW HOPE-LESS... IT IS...!
IT LOOKS LIKE WE CAN REACH OUT 'N TOUCH 'IM... AND YET, HE'S WORSE OFF THAN IF HE WUZ CALLIN' FOR HELP ON THE MOON!!
I CAN'T TAKE IT NO MORE! CAN'T STAND HERE JUST WATCHIN'... DOIN' NOTHIN'...!!
IF MY BUDDY'S GOTTA DIE... IF THERE'S NOTHIN' WE CAN DO ABOUT IT.. AT LEAST I DON'T HAVETA WATCH IT!!
KRRAKK
I GOTTA DO SOMETHING.. ANYTHING... EVEN IF IT'S JUST TEARIN' THIS WHOLE BLASTED BUILDING APART!
BEN.. DON'T!! YOU'RE RIPPING OUT THE WHOLE WALL SCANNER!! ...BEN!
IT'S NO USE... HE'S TOO FAR GONE. I CAN'T STOP HIM!
AND, WHAT'S THE DIFF? WHAT GOOD WOULD IT DO... IF I COULD?
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BUT THEN, JUST WHEN EVERYTHING SEEMS THE DARKEST... THE MOST TRAGICALLY HOPELESS...
CRYSTAL! YOU'RE BACK!
ARE WE... STILL IN TIME?
WE DON'T KNOW! THE VIEW-SCREEN IS SHATTERED!
BUT, WHO IS THAT? WHOM HAVE YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU?
THE ONE PERSON WHO HAS THE POWER TO HELP..!
IT IS TRITON.. THE WATER-BREATHING AQUATIC INHUMAN!
BUT ..WHY HIM?
DEEPEST SPACE... WHETHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE... IS LIKE A VAST, ENDLESS OCEAN!!
ONLY TRITON IS ABLE TO MANEUVER UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS!
ONLY I HAVE A CHANCE OF FINDING REED RICHARDS IN THE LIMITLESS REACHES OF THE UNKNOWN!
IF YA CAN MOVE AS GOOD AS YA MAKE SPEECHES, REED'S AS GOOD AS SAVED!
BEN! OPEN THE ENTRANCE TO THE SPACE-TIME CHAMBER-- SLOWLY THIS TIME... ONE SAFETY CHAMBER AFTER THE OTHER!
AFTER WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME, LADY, YOU DON'T HAVETA TELL ME TWICE!
GOOD LUCK, FISHMAN!! HERE GOES..!
CLIK!
CLOSE CHAMBER ONE! OPEN CHAMBER TWO!
THAT'S IT! DON'T STOP!
NOW...OPEN THREE..CLOSE FOUR! NOW... FIVE..SIX..!
IT'S DONE! I'VE REACHED THE BARRIER!
NOW, THERE CAN BE NO TURNING BACK!
IN A STRANGE, NEGATIVE UNIVERSE... STRETCHING ENDLESSLY INTO INFINITY... ONLY I CAN SENSE THE PROPER DIRECTION TO TAKE..!
ONLY I CAN NAVIGATE IN THE MYSTERIOUS MIASMA OF NOWHERE!
I, WHO CAN LOCATE ONE STRAND OF SEAWEED WITHIN THE BOTTOMLESS OCEAN...
NOW MUST I FIND A HELPLESS HUMAN... BEING BORNE INEXORABLY TO HIS DEATH WITHIN THE SWIRLING SEA OF SUB-SPACE!
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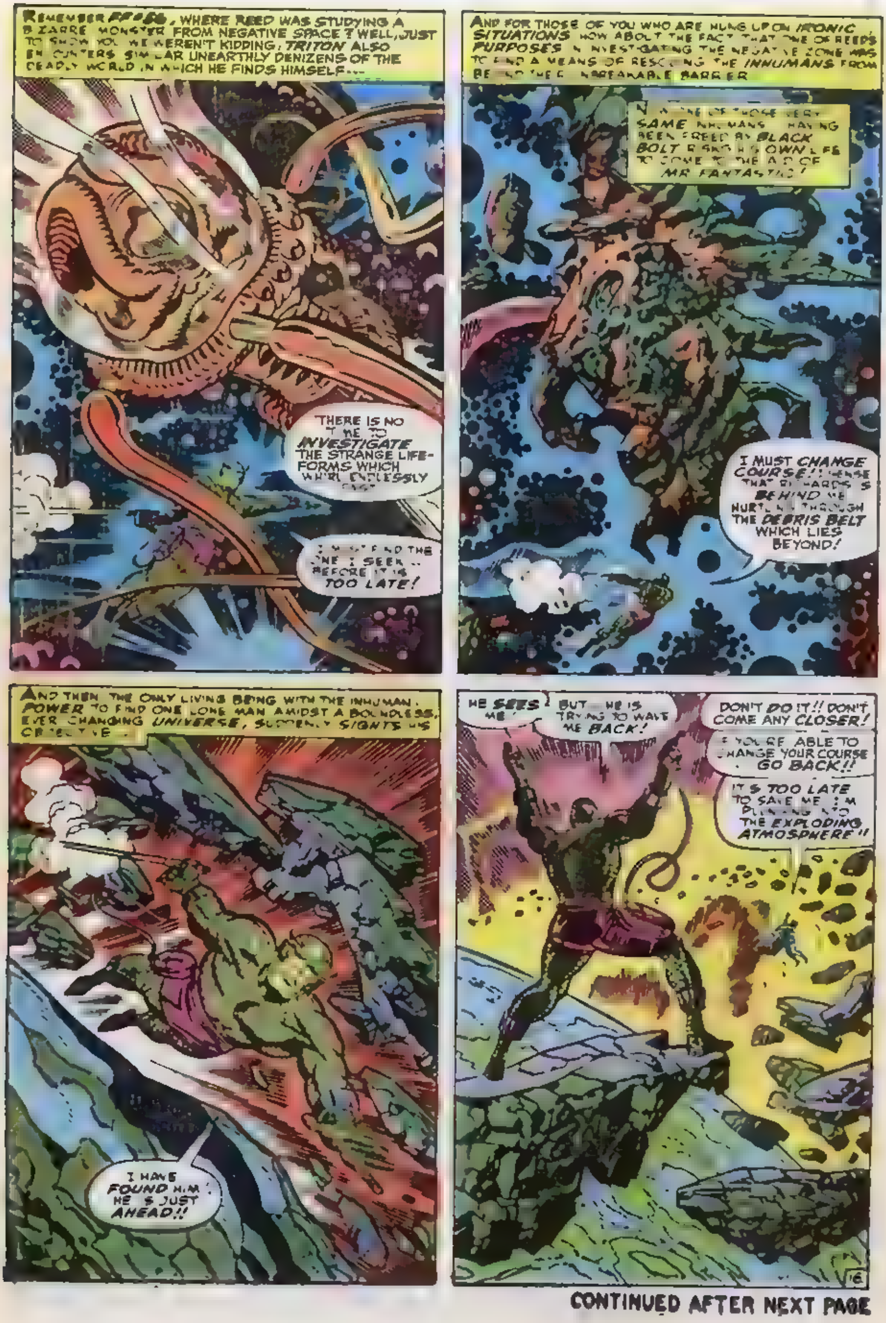

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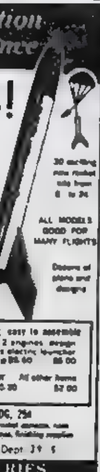

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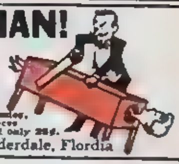

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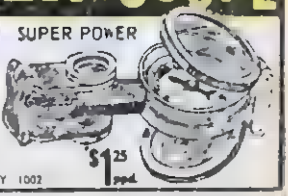

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YOU DID IT! I HAVE
BACK!! GET BACK.. THE EXPLOSIONS ARE STARTING!! ANOTHER SECOND WOULD HAVE BEEN TOO LATE!
BUT AS THE VALIANT TRITON USES HIS AIR-JET GUN TO ZOOM AWAY FROM THE AREA OF SPATIAL CARNAGE, NEITHER HE NOR THE MAN HE HAS SAVED ARE AWARE OF ANOTHER FIGURE IN AN ADHESION SUIT...
...A FIGURE POSSESSING SUCH STRENGTH.. SUCH RAW, UNTAPPED POWER.. THAT THE DEADLY EXPLOSIONS DO NO MORE THAN REVIVE HIM AS HE FINALLY BEGINS TO STIR...!
WITH AN EAR-PIERCING ROAR HE FREES HIS BESTIAL HEAD, STUDYING THE CATACLYSMIC SCENE WITH INSTANT COMPREHENSION..!
SO!! THIS IS HOW THEY THOUGHT TO RID THEMSELVES OF BLASTAAR!
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ZONE WHERE I CAN FIND SHELTER
BTOOM!
EXILED FROM ... BUT, I MUST ... A HAVEN ... NEW WORLD
BTOOM!!
BTOOM!!
WHAT IS THIS?? AHEAD OF ME... WITHIN THE DISTORTION AREA... APPROACHING THE FOURTH DIMENSION... TWO FIGURES!
THEY GO WHERE NONE BEFORE THEM HAVE EVER GONE!
HAH!! BUT NOW-- THEY WILL NOT GO THERE---ALONE!!
And, within FF headquarters, a mood of frenzied despair settles like a pall over the four who wait--hardly daring to hope...
SO LONG NOW
HAVE FAITH, ... TRITON ... NOT FAIL!
BROKEN THE SCANNER, BEN! WE COULD SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING!!
MUCH LONGER YA GONNA BEAT A DEAD HORSE ?!!
I DIDN'T KNOW WE'D BE WANTIN' THE BLASTED
WAIT!! ALL OF YOU -- LOOK!! LOOK AT THE BARRIER!!
HAPPENIN'! ... GLOW!!
THAT MEANS IT'S GETTIN' ACTIVATED!! ... THROUGH! ... COULD BE -- THEM!!

JOHNNY!! I CAN'T BEAR TO LOOK! CAN YOU SEE? CAN YOU TELL WHAT IT IS?
NOT YET, SUE!! BUT WE'LL KNOW.. IN A SECOND!!
LET'S GO, KID! SOMETHIN'S MATERIALIZIN'... RIGHT NOW.!!
STRETCHO!! YER BACK! WE GOT YA
SUE! I'VE GOT TO SEE HER! I KNOW HOW SHE MUST HAVE FELT!
IT WAS A CLOSE CALL! BUT THE RESULT IS ALL THAT COUNTS!
THE GREATEST!
I SHALL NOT SOON FORGET THE COURAGE, THE IRON NERVE OF YOUR MR. FANTASTIC!!
C'MON BIG BROTHER-IN-LAW! WE'LL HELP YOU BACK INSIDE
THERE'S ONE GOOD THING CAME OUTTA ALL THIS
BUT EVEN AS THEY SLOWLY TRUDGE FROM THE CHAMBER
..THERE ARE NONE TO NOTICE ANOTHER FIGURE WHO HAS SLIPPED THROUGH THE BARRIER... BEHIND THEM!
I KNOW NOT WHAT PUNY WORLD I HAVE ENTERED..!
BUT, I CAN PLAINLY SEE THAT THE BEINGS HEREIN WILL BE NO MATCH FOR THE BLUDGEONING POWER OF BLASTAAR!
STILL, I MUST FIND AN ALLY--- ONE TO GUIDE ME HERE UNTIL I AM READY TO DISPOSE OF HIM
CITIES REACHING SKYWARD, INSTEAD OF BEING BUILT DEEP WITHIN THE SHELTERING PLANET ITSELF!
THIS WORLD IS STRANGER, MORE PRIMITIVE THAN I HAD SUSPECTED.
AND TO THINK IT IS ALL MINE... MINE FOR THE TAKING!!
WHAT DO I SENSE? A GIANT HAND... REACHING FROM ABOVE!
HAH!! NOW I GOT WHA ??!
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE ONE OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR!! I NEVER SAW YOU BEFORE
BUT I'LL HAVE TO POLISH YOU OFF ANYWAY
YEAH? A FAT LOTTA GOOD IT'S GONNA DO YOU!
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ITEM! Notice anything different about this page? We [illegible] to omit our "Mighty Marvel Checklist" and see if anyone will miss it! We figure you can easily find out what we're featuring in our other mags by merely looking at the covers, or reading the "coming attractions" panel at the end of each of the letters pages. But, if you feel life isn't worth living without the missing column, let us know, and we'll bring it back for you! *Fair 'nuff?* Okay, now that that's out of the way —

ITEM! Didja hear about our big junket to Hollywood last November? STAN (The Man) LEE and Cheerful CHIP GOODMAN zipped out to the coast to confer with GRANTRAY-LAWRENCE, the studio which produces the MARVEL SUPER-HEROES show. While Chip discussed contracts, credits, and various other cerebral celluloid considerations, our leader had the time of his life poking around behind the scenes and seeing how the merry Marvel masterpieces are adapted to the screen! It was really a ball — and we still haven't been able to get the sunglasses or beret away from ol' Smiley!

ITEM! We need help! You've got to give us the answer to the most burning question of the day! We get a zillion letters a week asking about Honest IRVING FORBUSH, the world's most famous non-entity! Now, our problem is this — would you like to see a picture of Honest Irv — or is it more fun to let him remain an unknown enigma? Your letters alone will give us the earth-shaking answer! (We kind'a hope you'll decide that he should remain a mystery — because if we should ever actually have to dig up a picture of him, then we'll really be in a jam!)

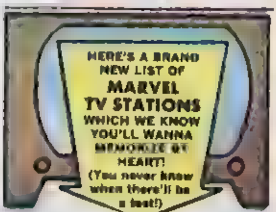
ITEM! Here's more agonizing addenda on the blood-curdling Brand Echh controversy! We're constantly receiving letters and phone calls taking us to task for not striking back at one of our largest competitors, due to the fact that their references to us in their own magazines seem to be getting nastier and nastier. (Naturally we have to take our fans' word for this, because we hardly ever read those mags!) Anyway, since we haven't nearly enough space to print all the letters we've received dealing with this monumental matter, we've taken some excerpts from a few and put 'em all together, like this —

Dear Marvel, when you guys refer to Brand Echh, you mean *ALL* your competitors. But, there's one outfit which takes it personally. It's a shame they're so self-conscious and pitifully aware of their own shortcomings. But now they've stooped to attacking you personally. They've claimed in their letters columns that you don't write all your own stories — they've ridiculed and parodied your most successful characters — they've taken the name of your company and poked fun at it. They haven't even sense enough to realize they're just hurting themselves, because the readers are clever enough to know that you're just clowning around while they're acting like spoiled, back[illegible]

Well, all we [illegible] say in answer is — there are many talented guys and gals employed by our various competitors. A good many of them have worked for us in the past, and some may, hopefully, be back working for us again in the future. We have both respect and affection for the hard-working artists and writers throughout this hectic industry of ours, and would never knowingly, by word or deed, wish to put them down. The True Believers amongst you — and that includes all our rabid readers — know full well that we find it hard to take anything too seriously — and we're prone to make OURSELVES the butt of our jokes nine times out of ten. We've gotten a kick out of the funnin' and feudin' with Brand Echh, thinking of it as a good-natured rivalry which you could enjoy sharing with us. However, if we've ruffled any feelings, we're truly sorry. We're really not mad at anybody, except the hambone who said we don't write all our own stories! We almost wish he were right — then maybe we would not have these bags under our eyes from all those sleepless nights hunched over our typewriter! And that, tiger — is that!

THE WRAP UP! Let's close with a few personal items about our own Marvel madmen. ITEM: We've known Jazzy JOHNNY ROMITA for years, but it wasn't till last week that we found out ol' Ring-A-Ding is a volunteer fireman out on Long Island! ITEM: If you think that art and production are Jolly SOLLY BRODSKY'S only talents, take it from us — don't ever play poker with 'im! Hooo boy! ITEM: Didja know that Fearless FRANKIE GIACOIA, who's just about the best inker this side of Da Vinci, is also as good a penciller as you can find?

And one of these days, if we can ever yank the paint brush outta his hand, we'll prove it to you! ITEM: If STAN (The Man) LEE and JACK (King) KIRBY happen to meet in the street, they might not recognize each other! The two characters have been so busy lately that they haven't seen each other in weeks. Can you imagine producing sensational strips like theirs by collaborating over the phone? Well, you better believe it! ITEM: Bet you didn't know that Wondrous WERNER ROTH worked for the Bullpen over a decade ago, when he did a way-out western hero named The Apache Kid! Anyone remember that far back? ITEM: Not only is Darlin' DICK AYERS as talented an artist as you can find, but he never ceases to amaze us with his speed! Slick Dick can pencil a page almost as fast as you can read it — and he can ink it even faster! ITEM: One of these days we'll see if we can get GIL (Sugar Lips) KANE to race the Darlin' One in completing a strip, 'cause Garrulous Gil is also a S.D.F.C. (Speed Demon, First Class!) Say! How about a drawing race for charity? Wouldn't THAT be something! ITEM: It's a wonder Dazzlin' DON HECK is still talking to us! Wait'll you read THE AVENGERS this month and count how many super-heroes the poor guy hadda draw in that one ish! But, y' know somethin'? He was never greater! (Okay, Donnie — now you owe US a plug!) Well, that's it, literature lover! We'll be back before you know it [illegible] more of the same. (Aww, quit groaning! You only have to read it — we have to WRITE it!) And cheer up, Roy, Flo, Marie, [illegible] Larry, Gary, etc. We'll mention you next time! Hang loose, Marvelite—victory's still in sight! 'Nuff said!



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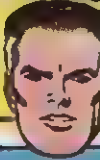

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Fantastic Four (4) Fan Page

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Dear Stan and Jack,

Bashful blue-eyed Benjy, ol' Greenskin, Spidey, and Goldilocks are my favorite super-heroes. No Brand Echh heroes can compare with your Marvel madmen. F.F. #58 is the greatest, especially with the dastardly Doom having the Surfer's power. The Thing is one of Marveldom's strongest heroes, but his size bothers me. When standing next to Reed Richards, the Thing is dwarfed in height regardless of the proportions of the rest of his body. I know at least 100 other Marvelites who would like to see the Thing get taller and heavier, so we decided cosmic rays should be most likely used to transform him. In F.F. #25, when fighting the Hulk, the Thing looked like a midget. Please let Reed bathe him in high-intensity cosmic rays, which would alter his size and weight, making him a larger, stronger, more powerful version of himself. I think he should be at least seven inches taller than he is, which would make him three or four inches taller than Reed. His weight should be increased approximately 200 pounds, bringing him up to 700 pounds, comparable to the Hulk. I also think most of us Marvelites like Ben's personality as it is.

Gary Marco, 1916 Kerrigan Ave.
Union City, N.J. 07087

Whew! Thank Odin for *that!* However, we won't have to subject bashful Benjamin to another dose of cosmic rays after all, Gary. You see, as soon as he got a squint at your letter, he shouted "*Yeow-eee!* Now I can go off'a my crummy *diet!*" Then, before we knew it, he was in the kitchen, stuffing milk shakes and candy bars down his gullet! So, unless some other frantic one writes to us real fast, saying that he prefers ol' Ben the way he was, we may have to change his name to "Chubbins". And, with the price of groceries what it is today—!!

Dear Stan and Jack:

Short and great I'm gonna make this sordid little letter. F.F.'s 57 and 58 could have been much better. Doc Doom on a surfboard? You gotta be putting us on! Keep it up and pretty soon your readers will be gone! The nutty angles you've dreamed up are becoming a disgrace! They make me mad to be a part of the crazy Marvel race! And to show you that I mean everything I say— I promise not to Hang Loose or Face Front all day!

Chris Barth, John's Lane
Ambler, Pa.

Right from the start, you broke our heart — but we forgive you, Chris. We're not too blue, 'cause we always knew that there'd be days like this! (Hands up, those of you who didn't realize the preceding letter and reply are both in rapturous rhyme!)

Dear Stan and Jack,

It seems you have been having your off-and-ons while producing FF #s 57 and 58. Most parts of the stories were great, such as the personal fight of Ben and Doom, Doom's stealing the Surfer's power, and Sandman's escaping. Next issue I hope Doom gets what is coming to him. Last time the F.F. defeated him, Doom got off too easily! When Ben fought the Hulk years ago, he fought him to a nearly even standstill. When Ben fought the Surfer, he got wiped while the Surfer wasn't using a fraction of his power. I'm sure S.S. will get his power back, and if the Hulk goes on a rampage and picks a fight with Ben, the Surfer could cut in and really whop the Hulk with two hands tied behind his back. It would be the greatest fight in F.F. history! The Hulk's powerful enough to make the fight surprising. Until Dr. Doom goes to charm school, I'll be collecting your marvelous mags.

Brian Clift, 740 S. 400 E.
Centerville, Utah

Glad to hear it, Brian! We'll keep Doc outta charm school for as long as we can! But, if the Hulk ever does go on another rampage against Ben, we'll have a bigger problem than how to save ol' Blue-eyes! We'll be spending all our time wonderin' if Jolly Jack can remember how many fingers each of 'em have!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I ask you—how could my humble heart even begin to extol the glories and virtues of your greatest triumph? I am speaking of F.F. #57 and #58. Wow—what action! Dr. Doom has become my favorite arch villain. And when you showed Doom conning the Silver Surfer into partially believing that he was on the side of justice, that was just too realistic! Stan, you've done it again—the dialogue was absolutely and positively perfect. I could tell each word had been meticulously selected to produce the greatest effect. Jack, your artistry has matched Picasso's. Even as I sit and write now, I eagerly await issue #59, certain that it will surpass even the former two masterpieces. So long for now!

Franklin Roy, 223 Cumberland St.
Cornwall, Ont., Canada

So long, Frankie boy. We were kind'a sorry to see you go so soon after all those kind words you tossed our way. But, we haven't heard from you since then, and now you've got us worried. Didn't you like ish #59? Drop us a line, huh? You know how insecure we are!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Just this moment I have finished reading and thoroughly absorbing F.F. #58. In my opinion, it would take a book to list the many attributes of this issue. The cover was one of the most symbolic so far. This cover described the entire issue, mainly the terrible defeat of the F.F. The wreckage shown was not only symbolic of the annihilation brought about by the newly acquired powers of Doc Doom, but of the total destruction of the pride of the F.F. themselves. However, this was nothing compared with the insides of the book. My encomiums, commendations, compliments, and praises would not nearly approach being appropriate in hailing you for the stupendous job you did on this unique, one-in-a-million story. Do not be disillusioned, however; I don't mean to put down the equally stupendous artwork. It most appropriately represented the visual as well as audible scenes. Again, my commendation to the people who put together the monumental, always to be remembered and treasured, 58th issue of the FANTASTIC FOUR.

Jim Bloodsworth, 4761 N.W. 1st Ct.
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 33313

You sure know how to hurt a fella, Jim! After everything you said, after all the thought and effort that

went into your letter, you made it very clear that you had penned a carefully considered critique. Therefore, if you omitted anything, it was only because you didn't deem it worthy of mention. Which means you couldn't find a good word to say about our Bullpen Page! Okay, fella—we know we can't please everyone, but tell us sometime, willya—where did we fail?

Dear Stan and Jack,

Let's face it, the Inhumans were the greatest brainstorm you guys had since the F.F. itself. Since there is a great demand to have them join the F.F., why not let everyone — Lockjaw, Black Panther, Wyatt, the Silver Surfer, etc. — all join as honorary members and call your comic the "Fantastic Fourteen"?? All kidding aside, you could have them in a short five page series at the end of the F.F. book in a way similar to "Tales of Asgard" How about it? Do you think it would work? Do the fans think it would work? Does Irving Forbush like the idea? Besides this, I was wondering if Gene Colan is going to make Marvel the first comic company to have a fold-out centerfold? Not that his panels are big (!), but I just thought that ¾ of a page is a little large for the picture of *one* finger pressing a button!!

Charles Hutler, 9 Sheridan Ave.
Kearney, N. J.

Aw, wait'll you see one of our upcoming ishes, Charlie. Gene's working on a double-page spread showing only a finger-nail. (And, not the whole fingernail—just part of the cuticle!—The genial one doesn't like to strain himself!) As for the "Fantastic Fourteen", why not? Okay, we'll *tell* you why not! Because we couldn't ever remember all their names at one time, that's why! However, as you know, the last word is never ours—let's wait and hear what Marveldom assembled has to say!

Dear Stan and Jack,

F.F. #58 was really great. I don't know how Reed is going to figure a way out of this. Doom said he could withstand heat because of his power, but the Silver Surfer could withstand heat only because of his resilient silver coating. About your question of who is the most brilliant—Reed, Doom, or Professor X—I say Reed. In F.F. ANNUAL #2 Reed said about Doom's herb, ". . . the one with the stronger mentality to create an illusion in the brain of the other." Reed created an illusion for Doom; therefore, Reed has a higher mentality. As for the Professor, although he has a powerful mutant brain which has mastered human powers such as mental telepathy, his Intelligence Quotient is no higher than that of an ordinary human. Therefore, Sue can rest happily because truly her husband is the most brilliant human. So where's my no-prize?!

Paul Thiel, 1209 Hilltop Dr.
Covington, Ky. 41011

Where *all* no-prizes are—in our huge, fireproof, private no-warehouse. Anyway, we'll buy your answer about Reed's intelligence (until a better once comes along), but one thing kind'a grabs us, Paul . . . how do you know that Professor X's I.Q. is no higher than an ordinary human's? WE never told you! *He* never told US! We never saw it in the World Almanac! You're not one of those hidden mutants everyone's looking for, are you? (Y'know, it's giving us a complex—that is, *another* complex—the way everyone knows more about our characters than WE do! And, the worst thing about it is—the other guy is always *right!*)

Dear Stan and Jack,

You poor guys—I really feel sorry for you. You've got so many things to remember between so many mags that it's a wonder you haven't gone out of your minds yet! In an effort to aid you in the "What is Crystal's inhuman power?" question, I've found two clues. In F.F. #45, page 8, panels 4-6, Johnny is pursuing her when a windstorm hits him. He says, "Where'd this wind come from? . . . It blew up out of nowhere! No! Not out of nowhere! It happened as soon as I approached the girl! Almost on cue! Why wasn't she affected? In some way, she caused it!" Then on page 10, panel 5, she ran past some wood and it flared up into flames. Johnny said, "I don't get it! That pile of wood burst into flame when she passed by!" These are the only ideas you've given us. And how about Triton? He's another mystery. On pages 16 and 17, Triton attacks Johnny. He says, "Triton shall handle him." Johnny says, "A glass wall is rising out of nowhere . . . trapping me! Water spouting up from the floor!" Please explain this. And what about Maximus? Oh, well, maybe someday you'll clue us in. What ever happened to the Wanderer, Prester John? The High Evolutionary and his New-Men have just got to return. They're the best!

Peter von Sholly, Box 148, Rt. #1
Chatham, N. Y. 12037

***Cheee!* A letter like yours is all we needed after a tough day, huh, Pete? Well, we appreciate your reminder about cuddly Crys, anyway. In fact, we've just decided something—one of these days we'll have to print a special ish in which we describe everyone's particular powers and abilities. (Don't thank us, dad—we're not doing it for you alone! We figure it would be a real great help to *us!*) As for ol' Prester John and the High Evolutionary (who was featured in THOR, according to what the fella who delivered our lunch just told us), we'll try and bring them back somewhere, some time—if we can just remember who they were! Anyhow, thanks for your cogent comments, faithful one—we knew we could count on you!**

NEXT ISH: Well, now that we snatched ol' Reed back from the jaws of death (to coin a cliché), you'd think both we and the F.F. could take it easy for a while, right? Wrong! One of the greatest dangers of all is waiting to strike — in the unearthly person of Blastaar, teamed with the superlatively sinister Sandman! However, we've got to warn you — next ish goes kind'a light on the drama, psychology, and sub-rosa sub-plots. Actually, it's a real rousin', rootin'-tootin' action epic, full of frenzied fights and cataclysmic clobberings! You'll see a raging, rampaging Thing in all his glory, fighting side-by-side with the blazing, blistering Human Torch — and even the just-rescued Reed hurls his fantastic powers into the fray. As for Mrs. Sue Storm, we promise you this — Susie won't disappoint you! And, when you see Blastaar and the Sandman in one of the most awesome attacks in comicdom, you'll probably wanna pay more than 12¢ for the mag! But, fight the urge — it'll only spoil us! So, face front, frantic one — we'll meetcha when F.F. #63 hits the newsstands. You'll recognize us easy — we'll be the ones hangin' loose!

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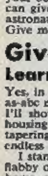

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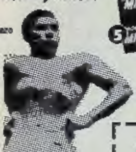

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